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**ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE**

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A SIM card for users of a telecommunications network contains at least one counter, which is incremented when a resource not responsible for the traffic process is used in the SIM card. An amount to be billed to the user is determined from the counter value. A billing record with the amount to be billed is prepared and transmitted to a billing center in the telecommunications network. The billed-for resource may be a software or hardware resource. The fee may be a license, traffic, or service fee. Moreover, the usage of a single resource may cause more than one counter to increment, for example a first counter for the license fees, a second counter for the traffic fees, and a third counter for the service fees.

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